

SERPENTINE JARRAHDAL COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTRE —
DARLING RANGE BY-ELECTION

466. Ms M.J. DAVIES to the Premier:

I refer to the 64 per cent reduction in Labor's primary vote at the Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Recreation Centre.

- (1) Does the Premier think this reduction has anything to do with his government's decision to cut the Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Recreation Centre's funding to \$50 000 a year?
- (2) Will the Premier now reverse the disgraceful 40 per cent funding cut to the community resource centres that are having a profound impact on their ability to deliver services to the communities they serve?

Mr M. McGOWAN replied:

- (1)–(2) Under the government I lead, the community resource centres will continue to be funded at a rate of either 70 per cent of the latest rate of funding or 50 per cent, but they will all continue to receive operational funding under my government. For the National Party, of all parties, the party that wrecked the state's finances, to even raise financial matters in here is beyond the pale. It refuses to accept any responsibility for what it has done to Western Australia. The Liberals and Nationals are obviously showing every sign of arrogance and hubris in the way that they are conducting themselves today.